Duty period of Medical Officers.

307 *MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Darbar Physician has recently issued a circular to the Medical Officers asking them not to leave their respective hospitals during the prescribed hours of work, *viz.*, morning and evening; and

(*b*) when there is an urgent call from outside the hospital premises for medical aid, whether a doctor in charge of a hospital could visit the patient and give him medical relief?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (*a*) The member is referred to the answer given to question No. 295, by Mr. M. K. Janardana Kamath.

(*b*) Yes; in urgent cases.

Firing before the Quilon Mosque.

308 *MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state what action has been taken on the report of Mr. M. Ramachandra Row, Ag. Commissioner, Devicolam, regarding the shooting incident in front of the Chinnakada Mosque, Quilon, which took place so early as in Chingam 1110?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The report is under the consideration of Government.

Toll-Gate on Nedumangad-Shorlacode Road.

309 *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that there is a P. W. D. toll-gate, which is a branch of the Nedumangad toll-gate, put up on the branch road known as Nedumangad-Shorlacode road;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they are aware that the putting up of this branch of the P. W. D. toll-gate is against the avowed policy of Government with regard to the opening of P. W. D. toll-gates;

(*c*) whether they are aware that the people, in these days of economic depression and famine in Nedumangad taluk, are experiencing serious hardships due to the existence of the toll-gate; and

(*d*) how long it is since the above branch of the toll-gate was established?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) From the beginning of 1108 M. E.

Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

310 *MISS HEPZIBAH GNANASIKAMONY (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is a proposal to construct a Tuberculosis Sanatorium near Nagercoil; and

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